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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2009—10 REGULAR SESSION

**Assembly Concurrent Resolution**

**No. 77**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member ~~Swanson~~ Swanson**  
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Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 77—Relative to the California  
Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 77, as amended, Swanson. California Global Warming Solutions  
Act of 2006: implementation.

This measure would urge the State Air Resources Board to meet the  
statutory requirements of the California Global Warming Solutions Act  
of 2006 by ensuring that its analysis of specified emission reduction  
measures include prescribed components.

Fiscal committee: yes.

- 1     WHEREAS, The State of California is leading the nation in  
2     developing a carbon emission reduction program pursuant to the  
3     California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 (the act), a law  
4     designed to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in the state by 30  
5     percent by the year 2020, encourage new technology and  
6     environmental innovation, and create high-quality jobs that will  
7     support California's families; and  
8     WHEREAS, It is the intent of the Legislature that the State Air  
9     Resources Board design emission reduction measures to meet

1 statewide emission limits for greenhouse gases established pursuant  
2 to the act in a manner that minimizes costs and maximizes benefits  
3 for California's economy; and

4 WHEREAS, The economic well-being of the California  
5 economy is closely aligned with the well-being of the workforce  
6 and the employment opportunities available to California's  
7 workers; and

8 WHEREAS, California's unemployment rate was ~~10.5~~ 11.5  
9 percent as of ~~February~~ May 2009, the highest in over 25 years;  
10 and

11 WHEREAS, Fifty thousand manufacturing jobs were lost in  
12 California in 2008, and more than 442,000 manufacturing jobs  
13 have been lost from 2000 to 2008, inclusive; and

14 WHEREAS, The number of small businesses with employees  
15 has decreased by 400,000 in recent years; and

16 WHEREAS, Retaining and creating good jobs with middle-class  
17 wages and benefits should be an essential element of the act; and

18 WHEREAS, The draft scoping plan prepared in connection with  
19 the act acknowledges that certain job sectors will experience a  
20 reduction in workforce and, therefore, will create hardship for the  
21 workers currently employed in those industries; and

22 WHEREAS, The implementation of the act may likely increase  
23 California's demand for new, advanced, and green technologies,  
24 but California may not enjoy a comparative advantage in the  
25 production of those technologies; and

26 WHEREAS, The state has the economic and societal  
27 responsibility to ensure that an adequate workforce exists to meet  
28 the needs of the emerging green economy; and

29 WHEREAS, The state has the responsibility to ensure that  
30 training for displaced workers will be part of the overall plan for  
31 retooling the California economy; and

32 WHEREAS, Current economic conditions require extreme  
33 caution in implementing new regulations that may further hamper  
34 job creation and the state's economic recovery; and

35 WHEREAS, Drafting of legislation and other policy initiatives  
36 required under the act and pursuant to the scoping plan adopted  
37 by the State Air Resources Board in December 2008 has already  
38 commenced; now, therefore, be it

39 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*  
40 *thereof concurring,* That the Legislature of California joins

1 California's workers and their families in urging the State Air  
2 Resources Board to meet the statutory requirements of the act for  
3 the preparation of the best available economic analysis by ensuring  
4 that its analysis of the emission reduction measures as proposed  
5 in the scoping plan and related rulemaking includes the following:

6 (a) An analysis of the projected employment impacts of the  
7 proposed measures by sector in each of the years leading up to  
8 2020 and beyond that specifies, in particular, the potential for green  
9 collar jobs to be located in California or outside California.

10 (b) Identification of the types of jobs that will be created in  
11 California, the industry sectors for which the jobs will be created,  
12 and the wage and benefit levels expected for those workers.

13 (c) Identification of the types of jobs that may be lost in  
14 California and the industry sectors in which the jobs may be lost.

15 (d) A plan for providing California workers a training program  
16 for new green technology jobs that are different from the traditional  
17 jobs in energy, transportation, and construction; and be it further

18 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies  
19 of this resolution to the State Air Resources Board and to the author  
20 for appropriate distribution.